

Proclamation

It was a quiet Sunday on December 7, 1941, when 2,400 American lives were lost in the attack on Pearl Harbor. It is a date that remains forever etched into the memory of our residents and a morning that changed the course of history for our entire nation.

The attack on Pearl Harbor marked the entry of the United States into World War II. At the height of the war, our country had ships on every ocean and troops in five continents. More than 16 million Americans served in our Armed Forces during the war and millions more contributed to the war effort on the home front.

Each year on the seventh day of December, we honor those who gallantly fought for our freedom, and we pay tribute to a generation of heroes who admirably served our country during World War II. These men and women hold a cherished place in our history and our hearts.

As we mark the 65th year of remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor, we continue to be inspired by the heroic deeds of those Americans who preserved our liberty and fought for justice throughout the world. Their courage, bravery and selfless dedication have now been passed to a new generation, who has been called to defend our country from danger and liberate those who have been oppressed.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai`i, do hereby proclaim **December 7, 2006**, as

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

in Hawai`i, and order the Hawai`i State flag to be displayed at half-staff in conjunction with the United States flag from sunrise to sunset.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of November 2006.

Linda Lingle

Governor, State of Hawai'i